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La Peña Cultural Center

Office Hours: M-F, 1-6pm
(415) 849-2572

La Tienda Gift Shop and Ticket Outlet

new hours:
Tue-Thur. 12-8pm
Fri. and Sat. 12-9pm
Closed Sun. & Mon.

Café Violeta

open for light fare and
desserts from 6pm
Closed Mondays and Tuesdays
(415) 843-0662

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A Change at Café Violeta

If you came to La Peña recently, you may have been surprised at the changes at Café Violeta. Beginning in January, Café Violeta no longer has a full menu and table service. The Café now offers a smaller selection of savoury *a la carte* items, an expanded selection of desserts, as well as domestic and imported beers and wines, espresso and soft drinks. We invite you to come try out our new menu! Café Violeta opens at 6pm, Wednesday through Sunday

Why the changes?

One of the primary goals of Cafe Violeta is to generate income to support the not-for-profit activities of La Peña Cultural Center. Unfortunately, the Café as previously structured was not meeting this goal. These changes are a step in the restructuring our food service so that we may improve our menu and service to the community and stabilize the financial situation of the Café.

Saturday Morning Kid's Programs

Sat. 2 Amiguitos de La Peña: presents **Denys Adida** who will tell stories from around the world with puppets & props
Sat. 9 Folksinger John Berquist on accordion, mandoling, and guitar with Alisa Peres singing songs from Latin America.
Sat. 16 Amiguitos de La Peña: Songs with **Gary Lapow**
Sat. 23 Plum City Players presents storyteller **Belinda Sullivan**
All regular kid's programs begin at 10:30am
\$3 Adults , \$2 Kids

VIER - FRI

SAB - SAT

1 FLAMENCO FANTASICO

Flamenco guitar maestro **Rodrigo** and gypsy singer **Remedio Flores** with guest artist **Raquel Flores**, gypsy flutist, **Alberto de Malaga** and **Daniel de Malaga** flamenco guitarists. Solos, duets, and original five piece ensemble selections. **\$8:30pm \$10**

2 Saturday morning Kids' programs: see box for listings

salsa Ponche

9:30pm

DOM - SUN

LUN - MON

MAR - TUE

MIER - WED

JUEV-THURS

3 Charla/discussion about Latinos/Chicanos in the Persian Gulf Conflict. Hosted by Chuy Varela. **5pm-6:30pm \$3**
NOCHE BOHEMIA
Mexico's Musical Heritage. A tribute to Mexican songwriter Gutu Cárdenas and other popular composers of the 1920s with **Ignacio Reyes, Margarita Rodríguez, José Luis Orozco, Zac Salem, & Jacinto Castillo**. Special reunion of the Reyes brothers. **7pm \$5-\$8**

4 Free music classes. See back of calendar for class listing.

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La Tienda open from 12 noon to 8pm.
The Café is closed this evening.

6 LECTURE
The Challenges of Change in a Post-Apartheid South Africa A presentation by Canon the Rev. **Winston Njongo Ndungane**, Chief executive officer to Archbishop Desmond Tutu. A prominent activist who was once incarcerated on Robben Island. He will talk about the distribution of power in white-controlled S. Africa, the new constitution and what will make democracy a viable strategy in racist South Africa. **7:30pm \$4**

7 VIDEO
All Our Lives
(Spanish dialogue, English subtitles) about women labor activists of the CNE during the Spanish Civil War and after, highlights Peace and Freedom celebration also featuring music and speeches. **7:30pm \$5 ***

8 COMEDY
Over Our Heads
Taking audience suggestions to create spontaneous scenes, also original music. Together for seven years, **Over Our Heads** take a fun look at women's lives for International Women's Day. Karen Ripley, Ann Larson, Teresa Chandler, Marian Damon. **8pm \$8-\$10**

9 Kids program 10:30am

¡salsa! Candela

featuring
Edgardo Cambon
9:30pm \$7

10 FILM
Maria's Story
East Bay premiere showing of a powerful 53 minute documentary, filmed under harrowing wartime conditions succeeds in painting a vivid portrait of a 39 year old mother of three who becomes a guerrilla leader with the FMLN. Filmmaker Catherine Ryan will be on hand to answer questions. A benefit for Camino Films & Berkeley Sister City Project. Adv. tixs at La Tienda. **7:30pm \$25-\$10 ***

11 Free music classes. See back of calendar for class listing.

12 Latin American Chorus directed by Rafael Manriquez.. Meets at 7:30pm.
Free music classes. See back of calendar for class listing.

13 OPEN MIKE FOR PEACE IN THE PERSIAN GULF.
Come hear new anti-war songs, poetry and other creative expression from Bay Area artists such as Betsy Rose, Robert Temple, Nancy Raven and many more. Musicians and other artists are invited to participate. MC, Jose Ruiz. Call in advance or sign up at the event. Spon. by La Peña. **7:30pm \$3-5**

14 The Central American Left and the End of the Cold War.
How have the changes in the "socialist bloc" & the birth of a "new world order" affected the progressive movements of Central America? Presentation by Dr. Jorge Castañeda professor of International Relations at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) w/ Benefit for the Guatemalan News and Information Bureau. **7:30pm \$4-\$7***

15 FLAMENCO
Alma Flamenca
Alma Flamenca featuring **Guillermo Rios, La Monica, Roberto Zamora, Patricia Salinas, Rubina Valenzuela**. Fiery traditional flamenco dance, music, and song, as well as the innovative harmonies and choreographies shaping flamenco styles in Spain today. "....torrid" -San Francisco Examiner. **8:30pm \$9**

16
Dr Loco's Rocking Jalapeño Band

9:30pm \$8

17 Unity Among Us
Afro-Boricua poetry, music, and more poetry. **Piri Thomas**, author of "Down These Mean Streets", **Avotcja**, author/composer "Has Anybody Heard My Song?", **Phavia Kujichagulia**, poet/musician, dancer, author of "Undercover or Overexposed", and **Dr. Juba**, author of "A Fearless Butterfly", come together with their powerful uplifting poetry/wordsong, born of truth, peace & justice. **7:30pm \$7**

18 Free music classes. See back of calendar for class listing.

19 BENEFIT
International Indian Treaty Council benefit in honor of Native American women. For more information call 566-0521 **7:30pm \$3**

20 VIDEO
Aché series returns with the screening of "Gotta Make the Journey" (1983, 60min.) a special video project of Sweet Honey in the Rock by Michelle Parkerson. This documentary presents the diversity of the lives of the group's 6 members. The evening also features readings by local poets. **7:30pm donation**

21 BENEFIT CONCERT
A benefit concert for Peace and Reconciliation in the Middle East. Original songs and music with **Gerry Tenney** and **Will Fudeman**. Poetry by **Lorene Zarou Zouzounis**. **7:30pm \$7 ***

22 AFRO CUBAN CONCERT/DANCE
This two part program will consist of a one hour concert of the folkloric religious music "guiro" followed by two sets of dance music. Participants are musicians involved in the Afro Cuba workshop. Proceeds to benefit La Peña and to provide Afro Cuban music instruction by members of National Folkloric of Cuba in Tijuana Mexico in April 9. **8:30pm \$7 ***

23 Kids program 10:30am

Bira Almeida's Corpo Santo Brazilian dance music with escola de samba Mexe-Mexe
8pm \$8

24 BENEFIT
A benefit concert for the Freedom Song Network featuring **Abby Smith, Aileen Vance, Altazor, Christine Haupt, Wemmer, Robbin Davis, and Two Left Feet**. These talented and very different performers present songs old and new about the real world in which we live, work, and struggle for justice. **7:30pm \$5-\$7 sliding scale ***

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27 VIDEOS
In honor of International Women's Day, BASE (Brasil Action Solidarity Exchange) will present two videos: **Beijo na Boca** (Kissing the Mouth) about the sex trade in Rio, and **Women in the Sugar Cane Plantation**. Speaker and discussion on the women's movement to follow. Benefit for Women's Rights Organizations in Brazil. **7:30pm \$4-\$7 ***

28 READING/LECTURA
Isabel Allende will read from her new work "Cuentos de Eva Luna" in Spanish and will follow with a question answer period in English and Spanish. She will also sign books, which will be available in Spanish and English from La Tienda.
La autora, **Isabel Allende** leerá y discutirá su mas reciente novela "Cuentos de Eva Luna". Programa en español. **7:30pm \$3**

29 CONCERT
Noche Venezolana
Grupo Campana, a new exciting group playing *fulia, parranda, golpe de tambor grande*, and a broad assortment of drums from the central coast of Venezuela. Featured artists: **Dulce Argüelles, Ray Davis, Francie Hernandez, Erika Luckett, Rosa Granadillo, Rowan Jimenez, Jackeline Rago, and Mauricio**. **8:30pm \$8**

30 Kids program, 10:30am

Afro Cuban

Conjunto Céspedes

9:30pm \$8

31 Slideshow
Racism: History Myth
Max Dashu presents a new Suppressed Histories slideshow, surveying mythologies of racial supremacy and the crucial lies and omissions that obscure our awareness of human experience. The Americas as "Old World" countries; Africa as the fount of "classical" learning; breaching the wall of ignorance. **7:30pm \$5-\$7 ***



From the film, "Maria's Story"
Sunday • March 10 • 7:30pm, a benefit for the Berkeley Sister City Project.
Special host: Mayor Lonni Hancock and Barbara Lubin

Celebrate International Women's Month

Women have been in the forefront of the struggle for peace and justice since time immemorial. International Women's Day was established on March 8 to commemorate the women's march for suffrage and against child labor in New York City in 1908. During March La Peña has the honor of presenting and hosting a number of programs in homage to the many contributions women have made and continue to make to struggle for peace and justice.



Isabel Allende • March 28 Lectura en español

La Peña gratefully acknowledges funding support for our artistic programs from: Alameda County Arts Commission, Berkeley Arts Commission, California Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, Zellerbach Family Fund, Audience Development Initiative, (Fleishacker, Gerbode, Grantmakers for the Arts)

MARCH HIGHLIGHTS



La Monica flamenco dancer

Flamenco in March

During the month of March La Peña will be presenting two outstanding flamenco performing groups. On March 1, **Rodrigo and Remedios** return to La Peña from their Southern California base. Performing with them will be **Raquel Flores**, gypsy flutist, **Alberto de Malaga** and **Daniel de Malaga**, flamenco guitarist. On March 15, La Peña will be presenting **Alma Flamenca**, featuring **Guillermo Rios**, **La Monica**, **Roberto Zamora**, **Patricia Salinas**, and **Rubina Valenzuela**.

La Tienda

Anti-war t-shirts, bumperstickers, buttons; bilingual children's books, new tapes from Chile including the latest from Illapu!

Nuevos títulos en español:

"Amora", por Rosa Rafael
"Las Cicatrizes de Viento", por Martin Morneo
"Leyendas de Guatemala", por Miguel Angel Asturias
"Puerta Abierta", un libro de cuentos por mujeres.

Pre-Colombian musical instruments including ocarinas, ceramic flutes and water drums. Other instruments include: zampoñas, a charango, & cajon Peruano.

La Tienda se distribuye la revista Chilenas **Analysis y Pagina Abierta**

Cafe Violeta Exhibit

Chilean artist Mariela Cortés, now living in Oakland, lived for three years in the tropical island of Guam. She dedicated long hours to skin diving and exploring the marine reef life. Years later she began painting, and it has become her life's devotion. Colorful and sensual images emerged from her memory within dreamlike spaces, with strong female connotations.

La Peña Photo Exhibit

Children of Nicaragua, photographs by Johanna Henry. These portraits of children in various towns of Nicaragua were taken in July of 1988 when Johanna visited Nicaragua with a delegation of "cultural workers" from New York City for the 9th anniversary of the revolution. Opening reception for the show on Sun. March 3 at 3pm. Discussion and slidehow about current situation.



Grupo Campana Friday 29 • 8:30pm

An evening of typical Afro-Venezuelan music from central coastal region of Venezuela.

"Relentless Persistence"
Nonviolent Action in Latin America
Book signing and reading with
Philip McManus Sunday March 10 • 7pm • Free
(Reading in community room 3105 Shattuck Ave. behind La Tienda)

Philip McManus speaks about the many courageous examples of non-violent resistance in Latin America. From the Argentinian Madres de Plaza de Mayo to the hunger strike of Bolivia miners, McManus cites examples throughout Latin America of inspiring non-violent actions that have led to positive changes. "A tremendous contribution toward documenting the courage of thousands of people throughout Latin America who struggle for a world of peace, justice and human dignity." – Isabel Letelier

Persian Gulf Crisis A Data Center Teach-In Packet

- 64 pages of reproduced articles from mainstream and alternative publications covering the environment, arms sales to Iraq, financial implications of the war, and media coverage of the war.
 - A special 24 page issue of Third World Resources with annotated lists of organizations, books periodical, pamphlets, and audiovisual resources.
- Data Center 464 19th st. Oakland 94612 835-4692**

Redwood Cultural Work Presents In Celebration of International Women's Day

SISTER
HOLD ON

*A Collaboration of Jamaican
Dub Poetry/Reggae
and Afro-Caribbean Dance*

Lillian Allen and
The Revolutionary Tea Party Band
with the

Harambee Dance Ensemble
Saturday, March 9

8pm

CALVIN SIMMONS Theater

10 Tenth St, downtown Oakland (Lake Merritt BART)

Tickets \$8, \$10, \$14 Available at all BASS ticket outlets, La Peña Cultural Center, Mama Bears, Marcus Books (Oakland and SF), Old Wives' Tales or send SASE to Redwood Cultural Work, P.O. Box 10408, Oakland, CA 94610. Charge by phone 415-835-1445 9am-5pm weekdays.



Since 1975 more than 350 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to understanding among different peoples.

LA PEÑA CULTURAL WORKSHOPS

Sponsored by the California Arts Council

Enrollment in all classes is limited. Permission of instructor is required to enroll in all classes and ensembles. For info. call Cathy at 849-2572, M-F, 1-5pm.

Latin American Music Classes:

Stringed Instruments

• Introduction to Venezuelan Cuatro

(Tuesday, 6:00 - 7:00 pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• Intermediate Venezuelan Cuatro (Technique)

(Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Percussion

• Introduction to Afro-Cuban Rhythms

(Thursday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• Introduction to Afro-Venezuelan Percussion

(Monday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm and Wednesday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm)
Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Ensembles

• Cuban Music Ensemble Playing

(5 - 10 pm) Performance Room
Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• Afro-Venezuelan Percussion Ensemble

(Monday, 7:30 pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Latin American Folkloric Ensemble

(emphasis on Venezuelan folk music)
(Tuesday: 8pm-10pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Jackeline Rago

Teaching Multicultural Music and Games

For adults working with children
(Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:30 pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Nancy Raven. Free

• Multicultural Songs and Games for Kids

(Tuesday 3:00 - 4:00, ages 4 - 6)
(Tuesday 4:15 - 5:30, ages 7 - 10)
Community Meeting Room
Instructors: Nancy Raven and Jackeline Rago. Free

Children's Spanish Language Classes

(Mon, Wed, Fri. 3:30-4:30pm) Community Meeting Room
Instructor: Veronica Urdaneta Fee Required. 839-6230

Job Opportunity

Café Violeta is seeking part-time bartenders (beer and wine). Looking for responsible, mature people, bilingual (Eng. - Span.) and sympathetic to the goals of La Peña. Persons of color encouraged to apply. Applications available at Café and La Tienda. Call 843-0662

Recipe Search!

Café Violeta is looking for new tasty Latin American menu items. Send us your suggestions for what you would like to see on the menu. Call or write to the Café.

Dance Brigade Presents PANDORA'S BOX



March 29, 30 • April 5, 6, 7 • 8:00 PM

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450 Florida Street
San Francisco

Tickets
\$15 Orchestra
\$13 Tier

Tickets Available
Mama Bears
Modern Times
La Peña/La Tienda

Mail Orders
Dance Brigade
P.O. Box 2962
Oakland, CA 94609

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THE WOODBRIDGE & TOWER REDEVELOPMENT
415/762-BASS

Information: 465-3686

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La Peña is a bi-lingual, multicultural center open seven nights a week for concerts, films, dances, classes, and grassroots fundraising events. **Since 1975, La Peña has relied on support from the community in the form of volunteer work and contributions. Without this support we could not exist.** We are a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization and we urge everyone who appreciates our programs to make a donation to help La Peña continue its work as a center of progressive culture. ¡Que viva La Peña!

☐ Enclosed is my \$_____ tax-deductible donation to support La Peña and to receive the monthly calendar of events.

☐ Please send me the calendar of events for one year (\$2 minimum donation, actual cost to La Peña is \$5)

☐ Please send me a La Peña Program discount card enabling me to attend 24 programs (excluding benefits and special events) at half-price for \$25

☐ I would like to become a La Peña bill of the month supporter.
Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of \$_____ (minimum monthly pledge \$5)

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